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**SECRETARY, BOARD OF  
OIL, GAS & MINING**

Re: Docket 2015-028, Cause No. 270-07  
Ultra Pilot Water Flood

Gentlemen:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has reviewed the referenced Request for Agency Action affecting lands within Federal Lease UTU85994.

The petitioner has requested approval of pilot waterflood operations in the Green River Formation to be conducted on the following lands hereafter referred to as Project Area "B":

Township 8 South, Range 20 East, SLM, Uintah County, Utah

Section 3: S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ Lot3, S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ Lot2,  
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$

The Green River Formation for the Cause is defined as:

*"The stratigraphic equivalent of the interval between the TGR<sub>3</sub> marker, as found at 5,019 feet (measured depth) in the Three Rivers 2-13-820 Well and 4,970 feet (measured depth) in the Three Rivers 3-13-820 Well, and the base of the Uteland Butte member, as found at 6,746 feet (measured depth) in the Three Rivers 2-13-820 Well and 6,697 feet (measured depth) in the Three Rivers 3-13-820 Well, said wells being located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW of Sections 2 and 3 respectively, Township 8 South, Range 20 East, S.L.M."*

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- a) approving waterflood operations for the Project Area "B";
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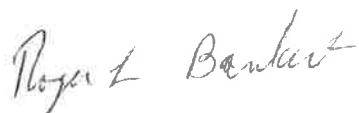
- c) certifying Project Area "B" as an "Enhanced Recovery Project" in accordance with Utah Code Ann. §§ 40-6-7(1) and 59-5-102(7) and Utah Admin. Code Rule R649-3-7;
- d) making such findings and orders in connection with this Request as it deems necessary; and
- e) providing for such other and further relief as may be just and equitable under the circumstances

The BLM supports the request.

If you should have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Michael Coulthard of this office at (801) 539-4042.

Respectfully submitted this 20<sup>th</sup> Day of November, 2015.

Sincerely,



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